KAISER FOR PEACE.

Asks England's Aid to End Russo-Japanese War.

KNOWS THE KING'S VIEWS.

Formal Proposal Made at Berlin on Monday.

German Emperor Has Conference With the British Ambassador-Seeks to Damage Franco-Russian Alliance or Improve British Feeling Toward Germany-Washington Not Hopeful That This Move Will End the War United States Will Join No Movement for Mediation | cinders. Lottl Roth Warring Nations Request It.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. the following statement

On the initiative of the German Government an interview took place on Monday at Berlin between Chancellor von Buelow and Sir Frank Lascelles, the British Ambassador at which the former proposed that efforts be made by Germany and Great Britain to secure peace between Russia and Japan. THE SUN'S informant believes that this conference was preceded by an interchange of views by King Edward

A double motive for this action is ascribed to the German Emperor. One is that he seeks to damage the alliance between France and Russia, and the other is that he desires to destroy the anti-German

to an entente to bring about peace in the the accuracy of the news. Doubt, however, | will 4s expressed in influential quarters that the cutcome which he apparently desires. This feeling is based on knowledge that n connection with other important subencouragement which might have been expected.

That the Kaiser proposed an Angloeffort that will lead to the establishment of peace between Russia and Japan and at the same time affect the Franco-Russian

Even if urged to join in any movement for international intervention, the United States Government would not consent, not only on account of its policy to avoid foreign alliances, but for the more immediate reason that it consistently adheres | had given \$125,000 for a new building for to the principle of non-interference between | the institution to be named Carnegie Hall. two beiligerent nations with which it maintains friendly relations, unless invited by both belligerents to do so.

No such invitation has been extended. to all the Powers, including the United in the spring the work of putting up the States, that any attempt on their part to end the war, by tender of their good offices or otherwise, would be regarded by act. Japan has expressed a willingness

In view of the attitude assumed by the two warring countries the Government of the United States intends to hold strictly aloof from any effort to secure peace.

PUZZEING GOLD COIN.

Counterfeit, Says Sub-Treasury; Good, Say Bank Experts.

A difference of expert opinion as to the character of a gold coin was brought out by the examination, before Commissioner Shields yesterday, of Patrick V. Dowling on a charge of passing counterfeit money. Dowling was arrested Thursday evening after he had given the coin, a \$10 gold piece, to Patrick McGirr, a saloonkeeper, at Twenty-eighth street and Second avenue, and received \$9.70 in change. The coin was peculiar, principally from its slightly greenish tinge. This aroused the saloon. keeper's suspicions, and he caused Dow-

Secret Service Agent Henry, to whom the coin was turned over, sent it to a downtown bank and to the Sub-Treasury. The bank experts said it was genuine; those at the Sub-Treasury insisted that it was counterfeit.

Henry, who is himself an expert in detection of counterfeits, says that the coin was Government made, but believes that it has been tampered with.

"It has been subjected to a 'sweating' process," he said, "and reduced in weight about \$1 worth. The color is peculiar, but it can be attributed to the use of silver as an alloy, which was the custom in 1849, the date that the coin bears."

Dowling was discharged. to become vacant of to become vacant of Eobert B. Armstrong

Red Tape Prevents Morristown Firemen From Acting Until Too Late.

MORRISTOWN, N. J., Feb. 3.-The country house of Otto H. Kahn, Cedar Court, on Normandie Heights, one-half mile from this city, was burned to the ground to-night. The loss is estimated at \$200,000. Mr. Kahn is a member of the firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co. His home in New York city is at 8 East Sixty-eighth street.

At about 9 o'clock to-night Mrs. James Frazier, wife of the caretaker of the house, saw flames shooting out of the windows the family is here in the summer. Frazier and a half dozen other employees whom Mr. Kahn keeps in the house during the sent them to Morristown to get the fire department.

Mr. Kahn's house is just outside the corporation limits, and for that reason the firemen would not go until they had by the action of the conference do not got an order from the Mayor of Morristown. By the time the Mayor sent them instructions and they got a chemical engine out to Mr. Kahn's place, the house was beyond saving. By 11 o'clock it was a mass of

The house was built six years ago by Mr. Kahn on the estate of his father-in-law, the late Abraham Wolff. It was elaborately LONDON, Feb. 3.-The correspondent of furnished and the loss may considerably THE SUN has high diplomatic authority for exceed the estimate placed on it by Morristown people.

hardly estimate the loss, but that there were and Foreign Commerce Committee that many valuable paintings in the house and the meeting was not a caucus, but a conferother art works that had a large value, outside of the furnishings. He thought the loss would be more than \$200,000. It was partly insured, he said. He thought the fire might have started from some de- | bolted fect in the electrical wiring. The house was a two story brick structure with two

CONTEST LOCKHART WILL.

Daughter Cut Off With \$300,000 Won't Take \$10,000,000-Wants \$30,000,000. PITTSBURG, Feb. 3 .- That some arrange-

ment is to be made by which Mrs. William WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 .- While no official S. Flower, daughter of Charles Lockhart, information has reached Washington of will receive a larger proportion of the estate the Anglo-German exchanges preliminary of her father than the income from \$300,000 was confirmed to-day, but she has not been offered an entire one-fifth of the estate Far East, there is no disposition to question on condition that she does not contest the At least one of the family, it is said, thinks

efforts of the German Emperor will have the that instead of giving Mrs. Flower one-fifth of the estate, which will amount to at least \$30,000,000, the sum of \$10,000,000 should satisfy Mrs. Flower. It comes from a recent negotiations initiated by Germany, source that cannot be denied to-day that this offer has been made to Mrs. Flower, jects have not been received with that and the pill has been coated with the remark that it is not yet known how much Mr Lockhart was worth, but the rest of the family are willing to take the chance on her share being \$10,000,000.

German understanding to end the war | Mrs. Flower, too, is willing to take a is not regarded in Washington with any chance, but not that way. She is willing great surprise. Had the initiative been Mr. Lockhart, who left about \$150,000,000. to take a chance on breaking the will of taken, however, by any other European and is making preparations to go into court Government or sovereign a sensation for that purpose. She is said to have sent would doubtless have followed the an- word to the family that it is the whole nouncement of the fact. Emperor William | fifth or nothing, and she will fight to the

From not less than 100 attorneys, some of directing international exchanges on a them the best in the country, Mrs. Flower variety of subjects, and it is considered as has received letters and telegrams urging quite probable that he contemplates an her to allow them to attempt to break her father's will. About half a dozen well known New York lawyers are among these.

CARNEGIE GIFT TO TROY TECH. Gives \$125,000 for New Bullding Which Is to Bear His Name.

At the annual midwinter reunion and dinner of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of Troy at Sherry's last night it was announced that Andrew Carnegie The announcement was made by President Palmer C. Ricketts amid much enthusiasm. In May last the laboratory was burned down and the following month the main

building was destroyed by fire. The labo-On the contrary, Russia has made it known | ratory has been rebuilt on the old site and main building, which is to be called Carnegie Hall, will begin. This building will be on a lot east of the old building site.

President Ricketts said that the year 1904 had been the most prosperous in the expe

tory of the institution financially and in other respects. For the new man countries ing, he said, \$90,000 had been subscribed ing, he alumni. Of this sum J. J. Alberthe alumni. Of this sum J. J. Alberthe \$50,000. On to accept the mediatory services of any neutral Power whenever Russia showed a like willingness, but has not indicated by the alumni. Of this sum J. J. Albertal Power whenever Russia showed a bright of Buffalo contributed \$50,000. On the burned building \$30,000 insurance was collected, President Ricketts said, but, in addition to the \$125,000 gift from Mr. Caraddition to the \$125,000 gift from Mr. Caraddi negie, \$100,000 was still needed for the new

that wasn't all the financial aid the institution had received. President Rick-etts added with a pleasant smile. Last October he got \$100,000 in memory of one of the old graduates and a promise of another \$100,000. This money would go to the endowment fund, said President Rick-

EGG FAMINE THREATENED. The Cold Storage Supply Sald to Have

Been Cornered. PITTSBURG, Feb. 3.-New York, Chicago and Pittsburg, with other large cities, are threatened with an egg famine owing to a corner in the market. The first intimation of the corner came when severa mation of the corner came when several Liberty avenue jobbers called up Swift and Armour for quotations. Both packing houses offered storage eggs at 24 cents.

This led the jobbers to investigate, and one of them received a telegram from T. E. Purcell & Co., the largest jobbers in Chicago, stating that the packers had cornered the market.

The cold storage season ended Jan. 1.

The cold storage season ended Jan. 1 The cold storage season ended Jan. 1, and at that time nearly 1,250,000 cases of thirty dozen eggs each had been consumed. The visible supply is now not over 15,000 cases, or just enough to supply Chicago, Pittsburg and New York for one day. Producers to-night sent telegrams to all South ducers to-night sent telegrams to all South-em egg jobbers for eggs, in an effort to break the corner.

Elmer Dover Declines Offer of Assistant

Secretaryship of the Treasury.

OTTO H. KAHN'S HOME BURNED. TO PASS RAILROAD RATE BILL

HOUSE REPUBLICAN CONFER-ENCE SO DECIDES.

The Test Vote Stood 107 to 44-Resolution Adopted Instructing the Committee on Rules to Provide for a Vote on the Bill on Wednesday at 4 o'Clock.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 .- The Republican members of the House of Representatives decided in conference this afternoon to pass a railway rate regulation bill next Wednesday. No particular bill was inof the apartments Mrs. Kahn uses when dorsed, but it is probable that the measure introduced by Representative Townsend, a new member from Michigan, which gives the Interstate Commerce Commission the right to fix rates and winter were in bed. She aroused them and creates a court of transportation to pass upon appeals from the commission's rulings, which received the vote of the majority, will be adopted. It may be amended, as forty or fifty Republican members who are unwilling to be bound like the Townsend bill as it stands. The Pennsylvania Republicans are all opposed to it. They decided to-day to vote against

The Republican conference was held in the hall of the House and was well attended The Pennsylvania delegation made an effort to secure adjournment until Wednesday evening so as to allow more time for considering the subject. That proposition was voted down, 107 to 44. When that vote was taken several members of the Pennsylvania delegation quit the meeting, but all except Mr. Mahon returned.

The Pennsylvanians forced a declaration Mr. Kabn said last night that he could from Chairman Hepburn of the Interstate ence, and for that reason the approval of the programme by it does not bind any one. The action was merely advisory, Mr. Hepburn held. Had the meeting been called a caucus, the Pennsylvanians would have

The action taken by the conference is regarded as a victory for President Roosevelt. His supporters had the votes to turn the so-called conference into a caucus. thus making its action binding, but they did not choose to use their power. They believe they will be able to pass the bill without the assistance of the Republicans who are objecting so vehemently. They hope, however, that the objectors will not become bolters on the final vote.

The conference was called to order at 8 o'clock, and Mr. Hepburn was made chairman. Mr. Townsend, the putative author of the bill, explained the measure. Mr. Hepburn then left the chair and advocated the indorsement of the bill so that something could be done to meet popular de-

Mr. Wanger also advocated the bill, but asked for delay. He wanted to give members an opportunity to study the subject. He put his suggestion into the form of a motion, which made a test of strength pos sible, and this was voted down, 107 to 44.

Representative Roberts offered as a substitute for the motion to instruct the Committee on Rules that a committee of the two houses be appointed to consider the subject during the summer recess and report a bill early in the next session. That was defeated by a vote of 105 to 40. The final question was as to the time for the vote to be taken. On that no one called for a on so to'clock Wednesday was agreed

to practically without opposition Messrs. Sibley, Bates and Mahon, all of masking of the "higher up" people. Pennsylvania, were the only outspoken opponents to action at this session. Mr. Mahon became very vehement. He said he "would be damned" if he would vote for such a bill on Wednesday or any other day until he was sure it would not have meeting of the Pennsylvania delegation. Speaker Cannon made two short speeches,

both of a conciliatory nature. Among other things he said that the assertion that the railroads would be ruined by giving the commission the rate making power was not warranted by experience. He was not warranted by experience. He said that the commission had it for nearly ten years and ruin did not come to the railroads or to the shippers. He said that the decision of the Supreme Court that it had not the rate making power had removed a check upon the railroads that had been salutory. He added that unless some national bill like this one was agreed to by the railroads there was danger of even the railroads there was danger of even more radical legislation and not very far in the future.

lution adopted by the conference The resolution adopted by the conference directed the Committee on Rules to bring in a rule providing for a vote on a rate regulation bill on Wednesday next at 4 o'clock. The House will meet on that day at 11 o'clock to count the electoral vote and will devote an hour only to that duty. It is expected that the Committee on Rules will meet to-morrow and decide that the Townsend bill shall be taken up Monday and debated the two succeeding days until the iebated the two succeeding days until the nour fixed for taking a vote.

hour fixed for taking a vote.

Just before the conference the Pennsylvania Republican delegation heid a meeting at which violent hostility was expressed toward any and all railroad rate regulation at this session. They agreed that in the event any effort was made to bind them to support the Townsend or any other bill they would walk out of the House in a body.

CASSATT WANTS RATE LAWS, But Differs With the President on Appea to Existing Courts.

President A. J. Cassatt of the Pennsylvania Railroad, speaking for his corporation and practically the other great railroads interested in the present agitation for two new spots on the sun to-day. He Government control of railroad rates, gave out a statement vesterday saying that any action which would deny the right of appeal to existing courts, as would be the case if a tribunal for the regulation of the railroads suggested by President Roosevvelt, was created would be an unjust discrimination

created, would be an unjust discrimination against those railroads.

President Cassatt said that the management of the Pennsylvania Railroad had for some years past recognized the reasonableness of legislation providing for the Government regulation of rates under proper safeguards to the owners of railway properties. While the views had not at first been shared by some of the leading railroads, Mr. Cassatt believed there was now a general disposition to acquiesce in now a general disposition to acquiesce in proper legislation upon this subject. Mr. Cassatt said that the question of pre-

venting discriminations or preferences between shippers by the payment of re-bates or by any other device seemed to be confounded in the minds of the public with that of other Government regulation of rates. The former subject was already dealt with by the Federal statute known Washington, Feb. 3.—Elmer Dover of Ohio, assistant secretary of the Republican national committee, and former private secretary to the late Senator Hanna, has declined the tender by the President of the Assistant Secretaryship of the Treasury to become vacant on the retirement of Fobert B. Assistants on the retirement of Editins act passed in 1903 in as effective a way as possible by any legislative enactment, unless perhaps in the case of private car lines, in which cases further legislation might possibly be needed to bring them under the provisions of the Elkins act passed in 1903 in as effective a way as possible by any legislative enactment, unless perhaps in the case of private car lines, in which cases further legislation might possibly be needed to bring them under the provisions of the Elkins act passed in 1903 in as effective a way as possible by any legislative enactment, unless perhaps in the case of private car lines, in which cases further legislation might possibly be needed to bring them.

CAUGHT BY THE MILKMAN. The Milkman Was Detective McAvey

-Names, Cards and Telephones Taken. Capt. McGlynn of the West 125th street station was sitting in his office looking out of a window that faces on West 124th street a few days ago when he noticed a gang of men putting wires into a house at 432. He

sent Detective McAvoy to investigate. The janitor told McAvoy that a very fashionable family was moving in and that electric light and telephone wires were being installed. McAvoy said he was a milkman and wanted the patronage of the new people. The next day, in proper costume, he got the trade. Day before resterday the persons in the house got an idea that McAvoy was not all that a milkman ought to be and they fired him. Yesterday afternoon Capt. McGlynn took

four detectives and broke into the place. They found eight men in one room gazing intently at racing cards tacked on the wall. Telephones were ringing busily. McGlynn arrested Charles Ball of 254 West 112th street on the charge of running a gambling house and let the others go after taking their names and addresses.

An hour later McGlynn raided a house at 269 West 122d street, where ten men seemed to be playing the races. Edward Kauffmann and Bernard McGovern were arrested and racing sheets and telephones were confiscated.

FIRE SCARE ON FERRYBOAT. Piece of Blazing Packing Alarms Passengers on the New Jersey.

A string of fire followed by a shower of sparks fell from the hurricane deck of the Pennsylvania Railroad ferryboat New Jersey early last evening as the boat was in midsteam on her way to Jersey City. The blazing stuff struck against the railing aft on the upper port deck and dropped overboard. Passengers on the upper deck and in the men's cabin saw a flash of flame across the windows and two or three men velled "Fire!"

A general rush was made for the already crowded front cabin. Many ran to the windows to see what was going on and caused the ferryboat to list perceptibly to port. For half a minute all hands had the impression that the pilot house was on fire. Then a few men and as many level headed women assured their fellow passengers that the fire scare was all over, and the nervous ones quieted down.

It was subsequently learned that two machinists had been directed to thaw out a steam pipe near the pilot house. They set fire to some packing around the asbestos covered pipe, and the stuff blazed up. As they threw a strip of packing four feet long overboard the boat made a slight turn and the blazing material swung danger-ously near the cabin windows and bounced against the rail.

PHILADELPHIA'S AWFUL BAD, Says the Grand Jury at the Opening of an Anti-Vice Crusade.

PHILADRIPHIA, Feb. 3 .- January's Grand lary handed in a censational presentment to-day, declaring vice to be rampant in the Tenderloin districts, declaring fraudulent registration to exist to an unlimited extent in the same districts, putting the blame squarely on the shoulders of Director of Public Safety David J. Smyth and the men "higher up," and, curiously enough, declaring the police force in itself a highly efficient one.

by the court of the existing conditions and There Capt. O'Brien asked him if he wanted for the punishment of Smyth and the un-

The presentment is the first step in the big reform fight coming, and the machine has been outwitted in the whole inquiry. The Grand Jury, somehow or other, was packed by the reformers. Its foreman, Isaac Johnson, is the business associate the ruinous effect he had predicted in the of John C. Winston, chairman of the Committee of Seventy, the executive body of

COPS' SHOOTING VERY BAD. Of 1,500 Who Tried Only Nine Men Quali-

ned as Marksmen. The results of the pistol practice recently established for policemen are very unsatisfactory to the Commissioner.

"The reports show that out of 1,500 men who have been at the ranges so far, only nine have qualified as marksmen," said Mr. McAdoo yesterday. "That is deplorable.

McAdoo yesterday. "That is deplorable. A man who scores 55 out of a possible 75 with three rounds of five shots each at fifteen yards gets the grade of marksman. A man who gets 70 is a sharpshooter. This poor showing exhibits the necessity of beginning at the beginning and teaching unmen how to handle and clean their weapons. The situation is worse than I thought it was. Already one man has killed another at the range. It was purely accidental, but certainly ought never to have happened.

The Civil Service Commission held a public hearing yesterday on the proposal to include marksmanship in the qualifications for promotion in the Police Department. Deputy Commissioner Lindsley, who is an officer of the Twelfth Regiment, said that if the men were required to be good marksmen there would be fewer accidents of the kind where a policeman, "shooting in the air," brings down an innocent bystander. He added that an expert shot is invariably slow in drawing his weapon. invariably slow in drawing his weapon. No decision was reached.

TWO MORE SUN SPOTS.

Prof. Pickering of Harvard Finds Them Near the One Seen Wednesday.

BOSTON, Feb. 3.-Prof. E. C. Pickering of Harvard College Observatory discovered found one on each side of the 70,000 mile spot which was discovered Wednesday. The new spots are perhaps 30,000 or 40,000 miles narrower than the spot

first discovered.
"While the outside world may bee much excited over the appearance of these new spots," said Prof. Pickering, "I believe that they may be the same as appear every eleven years. However, we are watching them closely."

\$200 FOR CONDUCTOR'S THREAT. tation of Case Against Railroad.

A jury in the Supreme Court, Brooklyn. yesterday awarded Mrs. Catherine Barrett yesterday awarded Mrs. Catherine Barrett a verdict for \$200 in her suit against the Brooklyn Heights Railway Company. She alleged that she was carried beyond her destination on a Graham avenue car and that when she refused to pay a second fare the conductor threatened to eject her.

Justice Kelly complimented Miss Mary Coleman on the way she conducted the case for the plaintiff. Miss Coleman was much pleased over the verdict, it being her first appearance in a Brooklyn court.

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SAY THEY HAVE HOLD-UP MAN

POLICE ARREST "SAND ROCK" SMITH, WHO WEARS GUNS.

Clue Found by Becovery of College Boy's Watch in Pawnshop-Prisoner Sald to Have Bragged of Weerz and Other Lone Hand Raids-Asks for Carbolle.

The capture of the Woerz hold-up man was announced by the police last night. At a late hour Capt. O'Brien, in charge of the Detective Bureau, said he was sure that his prisoner was the man who robbed Fred C. Heighe in the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity house in West 117th street, near the Columbia University grounds. Capt O'Brien was also quite confident that he was the same man who robbed Brewer Ernest G. H. Woerz and E. L. Shipman within the last few weeks.

The prisoner is Christopher Smith, 19 years old, who is known to the police as "Sand Rock" Smith. He was arrested in "Pop" Lindsey's two and a half cent poolroom at 12 Lawrence street late last night. This is the story of the capture as told by Detective Sergeants McCauley, Deevey

The Heighe boy was robbed on Jan. 24. The highwayman who held up the butler in the "frat" house got a gold watch and a small amount of money from Heighe. Forty-five minutes after the robbery the detectives found the watch in Simpson's pawnshop in West Forty-second street. It had been pawned for \$30. From the pawnbroker the detectives got a description of the man who had pawned it. The

description tallied exactly with Smith In some manner not thoroughly explained the detectives next picked up John L. Collins of 8 Lawrence street. He said he knew Smith, who often went to Lindsey's place to play pool. 'Collins said that Smith carried two or three big revolvers strapped to a belt and always went armed. Collins said he once asked Smith why he carried the guns.

Then, according to what Collins told the detectives. Smith told them that he was responsible for the Woerz and other rob-

A few days later the detectives made the acquaintance of Cleveland Miller of 368 West 126th street. Miller said he knew Smith quite well and that he never saw Smith without at least two revolvers in his pockets.

Smith told him, he says, that after robbing the Shipman house he called up the servant on the telephone and told her that he was sorry he had caused her so much trouble. Smith also informed Miller that he got twenty five-dollar bills from Brewer Woerz. Smith displayed a newspaper clipping which told about the Woerz robbery and was not backward, Miller said, in describing the details of the Heighe-robbery. Miller had a bag of cartridges, which he said Smith had given to him, and the handkerchief which Smith had used to cover his face in one of the ringle handed raids.

The three detectives decided to wait for Smith in Lindsey's pool and billiard rooms in Lawrence street until he showed up. They went there late yesterday afternoon, dressed as longshoremen, and they say they looked the part. All afternoon and until late last night they played pool. Finally Smith walked in, and was arrested. He was mum and refused to say another The jury calls for a full investigation | word until he got to Police Headquarters.

> something to eat. "If you would get me a little carbolio acid, I would be much obliged," said Smith. The detectives searched the back room of Lindsey's place. They found a suit case, which Lindsey said belonged to Smith. In the case was a box full of .44 calibre cartridges. Next to the case was a .44 calibre revolver lying on the floor. Lindsey said the revolver was Smith's also. When he was arrested and searched there were

no weapons found on the young man. The detectives found also in the suitcase a long black overcoat and a brown slouch hat. In descriptions given the police by people who had suffered through the visits of the lone highwayman, his clothing was invariably said to be a long black overcoat and a felt hat, either dark gray or black.

Smith is about five feet six inches tall and clean shaven. In addition to the Woerz, Shipman and Heighe robberies, the police think he is the man who tried to rob Dr. Robert B. Talbot of 37 West Sixty. eighth street on Jan. 20.

At Police Headquarters, Capt. O'Brien put Smith on the griddle for over an hour, but not a word could he get out of him. Smith was arrested so late at night that it was impossible to get any of the persons who were robbed to Headquarters last night to identify him.

BARTENDER SHOT DEAD. Clarke, Who Shot, Says McGowan Attacked

Him-Witness Tells Another Story. John J. McGowan, a bartender in Barton P. Stein's saloon at 66 West 116th street was shot and killed at 10 o'clock last night by William J. Clarke, a photo-engraver of

126 West 112th street. The shooting was in Stein's saloon. According to Clarke, who was arrested, ne was set upon by McGowan and three other men and he shot in self-defence. Stein says that he was in the back room when he heard a shot. He rushed out and saw Clarke in front of the bar with a smoking pistol in his hand. Just then Clarke fired another shot, which struck McGowan in

the breast.

Two other men who were in the saloon George A. Rosenberg of 44 West 116th street, and William H. Brown of 173 East street, and William H. Brown of 173 East 118th street, say that Clarke was drunk and made an uproar. McGowan sat him down in a chair, telling him to keep quet. McGowan, they say, went behind the bar. Clarke got up, staggered across the room until he got in front of McGowan and then

POLICE EYE ON TICKET MEN. Speculators Driven to the Curb Volunteer for Arrest in Vain.

Acting under instructions received from Police Commissioner McAdoo, the policemen who do theatre duty began an active warfare against the theatre ticket speculators last night. In front of every theatre where the cops found speculators they made them keep a way from the entrance and stand near the curb. The speculators objected, near the curb. The speculators objected, and several of them volunteered to undergo

and several of them volume to make arrests to oblige the speculators unless it was on a charge of disorderly conduct. The crusade really began on last Sunday night, when Commissioner McAdoo found a dozen or more of them in front of the New York. Theatre. He had them driven to the curb

MORE PENNSYLVANIA TUNNELS. Twin Tubes Under Bergen Hill, Hoboken,

through Bergen Hill, Hoboken, to con-

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 3.—About \$2,000,000 will be spent by the Pennsylvania Rail-

nect with the tunnels under the North Contractors have been asked to submit bids for the work, which will be carried on by the Penusylvania, New Jersey and New York Railway Company, which was organized by the Pennsylvania Railroad for the purpose of handling the tunnel

works under the North River. The new tunnels will be "twins" and connect directly with the tubes under the North River. Each of the tunnels will be a mile and a quarter in length, and a conservative estimate puts the cost at \$140 Reporter Who Told Them a Murder er Was a foot, and it is likely to run higher.

This new work is entirely outside of the Manhattan tunnel work, so far as the construction of it goes, although the cost of it was understood to have been included in the general estimate of \$50,000,000 which covered the tubes under the East and North rivers and the terminals in Manhattan. Fourth Vice-President Rea is looking after this work, assisted by the company's board of consulting engineers.

CUSTOM HOUSE ROTUNDA FIRE. Whole Place a Wreck-Second Division

Books and Papers Destroyed. Fire, caused by defective insulation, damaged the rotunda of the old Custom House, on Wall street, to the extent of \$2,000 at 11 o'clock last night. Policeman | sleigh to Warrenville, was arrested in New William McGrail of the Old Slip station saw York last night after a series of police antics the smoke and turned in an alarm. The flames were extinguished after half an serious.

centre of the building on the first floor, roofed in with a dome. It is filled with counters, desks and shelves at which the custom house brokers transact business business of the second division. The entire room is a wreck.

Most of the books, records and papers that were not locked up in safes were destroyed. What their value is cannot be ascertained until this morning. The most valuable papers of the division, however, were not reached by the flames.

THE EXPLOSION OF PETE. Brank Nitroglycerine, Froze to Death and

Wreeked Barn When Thawed Out. LESUEUR, Minn., Feb. 3 .- Pete, the hired man for Clyde Argonvale, in Bardon township, a curious and morose individual, got drunk at Wheatley, and on a bet of \$1 dranka bottle of fluid which the town marshal had taken from a burgiar. It was believed to be nitrogly cerine.

Immediately everybody lost interest in Pete. He finally started home alone. He froze to death and was found near Argonvale's barn. His employer and another man, not knowing he was dead, wagon to the Bischoff flat and bring Wood dragged the body into the barn and built to Headquarters.

a fire in a stove to thaw him out.

animals were killed. HOFER MILLIONS FOR DOWIE. The Swiss Helress Back at Zion City, With

Plenty of Cash, It's Said. CHICAGO, Feb. 3.-Ruth Hofer, the Swiss heiress convert to Dowleism, who has for months been fighting with her relatives in Switzerland for possession of her share of a large estate, returned to Zion City to-day. It is declared that the girl won her fight with her relatives and brought

back funds for the Zion treasury. The return of the young woman with Overseer Carl Hodlock was the signal for rejoicing among the leaders in Zion City, who saw in it the end of their financial tribulations for the winter. Officials at Zion City who are in charge during Dowle's absence assert that Miss Hofer brought to America all her worldly possessions to

use in advancing the cause of Dowieism. DOG BITES STAGE WOMEN. Gift to Musical Director Makes Trouble

at Lew Fleids's Theatre. John B. Schoeffel of the Tremont Theatre, Boston, sent to Leader Hirschfield of the Fields orchestra a young bull pup, which reached the theatre last evening. Hirschfield tied him to a trunk in a dressing room. On this trunk was a pile of hats used by

When Mrs. Frances Murray of 214 East Fifty-sixth street, a dresser, went for them the bull pup sprang at her and sunk his teeth in her face, cutting her on both sides of the nose.

Mrs. Murray screamed and fainted. Two of the chorus girls, Mabel Gilmore and May Leslie, ran to her and they got in the dog's way. He bit the Gilmore girl's neck slightly and also a finger on Miss Leslie's right hand. Neither of the chorus girls was seriously hurt, but Mrs. Murray was. A doctor dressed her cuts and then she was sent home.

WON'T SUPPLY RUSSIAN RAILS Negetiations Between the U. S. Steel Co.

and the Czar's Government Off. Negotiations between the Russian Govporation looking to a purchase of a large tonnage of steel rails for the Siberian rail- field from time to time, and spent two years road have been declared off, it is understood, and it is not known whether they

off of the negotiations has been given, but it is believed that the Russian Government was not willing to give assurances of prompt payment, which were asked by Col. Millard | the story he told yesterday. Hansiker, the representative of the steel

corporation in Europe. Cars Cross to Brooklyn To-morrow.

It was announced yesterday by Chief Engineer O. F. Nichols of the Department of Bridges that cars of the Metropolitan Railway Company will be run across the new Williamsburg Bridge to-morrow.

Latest Marine Intelligence.

Arrived: Ss Lucania, Liverpool. All Deerfoot Farm Sausages

MURDERER NABBED

PRICE TWO CENTS.

road Company in building two tunnels 6. H. Wood in Jall Here for Killing in the Sleigh.

SAYS HIS MIND IS A BLANK.

Police Hated to Arrest Him Despite Plainfield's Request.

Loose in Town Was Told It Was No Business of Theirs-Wood, Who Is a Contractor and Hard Up, Went to Jersey Seeking Help From His Relatives Quarrelled With Old Whitten, His Father-in-Law. Then Went Riding With the Latter's Friend, Williams -Police Think He Was on His Way to Kill Whitten and in a Dispute Over It Slew the Old Man's Friend Instead -His Tale of Aimless Wanderings

-Talks as Though He Were Insane. A man, thought to have killed George Williams, the grocer of Plainfield, N. on Thursday, by shooting him through the back while Williams was driving him in a which would have been comic in a case less

George H. Wood, a contractor, living at The rotunda is a great open space in the 578 West 131st street, is the prisoner. He went to Jersey to see his relatives on Monday and took a room in the Farmers' Hotel in Somerset street, Plainfield. After the murder the suspicions of Chief Kiely with the clerks. It accommodates the of the Plainfield police led to a search of the room and the finding in Wood's suit case of a box of cartridges of the same calibre as the bullet in Williams's body. All this was telegraphed to New York late vesterday afternoon and the police were asked to arrest Wood.

A Sun reporter who went seeking Wood found him at 7 o'clock last night in the flat of his brother-in-law, Frederick Bischoff, at 448 West Twenty-seventh street. Wood, though he talked rationally, said that he left New York Monday afternoon and that his mind was a blank from that time until he returned yesterday afternoon. The reporter informed the Detective Bureau of Wood's whereabouts, manner and story. The sergeant in charge re-

plied that it was a matter which did not concern the bureau. Perish the thought that it should dabble in the case. Reporters then notified the West Twentieth street police station. It was difficult to interest the police there in the affair, but at last it was decided to send a patrol

It is interesting to observe just about While they were away from the barn here that the Plainfield chief of police had the hired man exploded, probably because | telephoned to the head of the New York the fire became too warm. The barn was Detective Bureau at 2 o'clock yesterday razed. Nobody was hurt, but several afternoon the result of his investigation at the Farmers' Hotel, gi and a good description of him and asking for his arrest. Capt. Steve O'Brien, who runs the bureau, said last night that he didn't get the message. Who at the De-

tective Bureau did was not made plain. At any rate, the patrol wagon finally called for Wood. In the interim he had been examined by a neighboring physician and had evinced a desire to give himself up. He really didn't seem to realize what a difficult task this would have been, not

POLICE HATED TO GET HIM. When the precinct police at last decided that it would be a good scheme to take Wood to Police Headquarters, they thought it would be well to make a complete haul. Wood, his wife, his brother-in-law and THE SUN man who was waiting at the bouse

all were asked to ride. Wood, who had

been acting in a dazed manner all along.

knowing the humor of the police.

was more than willing to go. The party got a brisk drive to Mulberry street. Wood was not locked up at once. The fly cops had their doubts about the whole thing. They voiced the opinion that it might all be an attempt on the part of THE Sun to get somebody locked up. Ah

you couldn't fool them! There was a lot of whispering, and it was voted to see whether the Plainfield police really wanted Wood. Somebody got Chief Kiely on the telephone. It was very discouraging, but Kiely did want Wood. Hadn't he telegraphed to Headquarters in the middle of the afternoon saying he wanted him for the Williams

murder? "I'll come on in the morning and take him off your hands, if you'll only please hold him until then," said Kiely.

And it was with a "well-if-you-insist" tone that Mulberry street promised the excited Jersey chief that Wood would be held until to-day. He was taken away to a cell, and the reporters departed under a volley of frowns.

MOTIVE FOR THE CRIME.

Wood was born and raised at Warrenville, where the murder was committed. His father, George H. Wood, now dead, was respected highly by his neighbors, who had no such liking for his son. Fifernment and the United States Steel Cor- | teen years ago Wood left Warrenville and went to New York. He went back to Plainworking on his grandmother's farm.

That was three years ago. Seven years ago he married Viola Whitten, the daughter No official explanation of the breaking of George Whitten, who used to be the village schoolmaster. 1 Whitten hasn't seen much of his son-in-law since and hasn't got along with him very well, according to

In fact, it is in the bitterness of the relations between Whitten and his son-in-law. culminating, as the police have learned, in old man Whitten cutting off Wood in his will. recently made, that the authorities believe may lie the motive which Wood might have had for shooting Williams, with whom he had no reason to be unfriendly and whom he did not rob. Williams is known to have been a friend of Whitten, and the authorities think that possibly some remark that

Onickest Line to Cleveland. Leave New York 5:32 P. M., arrive Cleveland 7:15 next morning, Cheinnaul 1:39 P. M., Indianapolis 5:00 P. M., St. Louis 9:45 P. M., by New York Central. Pine Service. No excess fare.—Adv.